

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q95279

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For: **METHOD FOR THREE-DIMENSIONAL CARTILAGE TISSUE ENGINEERING USING BONE MARROW CELLS IN TISSUE ENGINEERING BONE MARROW CELLS IN SIMULATED MICROGRAVITY ENVIRONMENT**

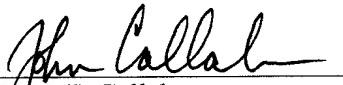
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Sir:

For the Examiner's convenience, enclosed herewith is a copy of the English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER) and the Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority. It is noted that the six references identified in the IPER were previously submitted to the U.S. PTO with an Information Disclosure Statement on June 7, 2006, and therefore not enclosed herewith.

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